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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:PDIP, VN, US

SUBJECT: AMERICAN YACHT BRILLIG

REF: STATE 277921

EMBASSY SHOULD PROVIDE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO VIETNAMESE  
AS FOLLOWUP TO ORAL NOTE CONVEYED IN REFTEL:

A. FAMILIES OF CREW HAVE INDICATED MEDICINAL PRODUCTS  
WHICH BRILLIG PROBABLY HAD ON BOARD AT TIME OF APPREHENSION  
FELL IN FOLLOWING CATEGORIES: (1) ANTIBIOTICS, (2) ANTI-  
HISTAMINES, (3) CODEINE AND (4) TWO TYPES OF SYNTHETIC  
MORPHINE.

B. SOME OF THESE MEDICINES WERE SUPPLIED BY A PEACE CORPS  
DOCTOR, AND MAY PROVE DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY BECAUSE OF THEIR  
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SPECIAL PACKAGING.

C. TOTAL AMOUNT OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS WAS LARGER THAN  
NORMALLY WOULD BE CARRIED ABOARD A YACHT OF BRILLIG'S SIZE.  
THIS WAS BECAUSE OF EXTENDED TRANS-PACIFIC VOYAGE CONTEM-  
PLATED BY CREW.

D. BRILLIG CARRIED COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT COMMONLY FOUND ABOARD AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN SEA-GOING YACHTS. THIS CONSISTED OF A RADIO TRANSMITTER-RECEIVER, WHICH ALLOWS THE VESSEL TO RECEIVE WEATHER INFORMATION AND MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH OTHER STATIONS IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND AN EMERGENCY POSITION INDICATING RADIO BEACON. THIS LATTER PIECE OF EQUIPMENT ACTS AS A BEACON BY WHICH ANOTHER SHIP OR AIRCRAFT CAN LOCATE THE YACHT, SHOULD IT ENCOUNTER DIFFICULTIES.

E. BRILLIG ALSO CARRIED DIVING EQUIPMENT COMMONLY USED FOR UNDERWATER RECREATION IN U.S.

F. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT CAN ASSIST VIETNAMESE IN IDENTIFY-  
ING ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMED MEDICINES OR EQUIPMENT, IF  
DESCRIPTIONS ARE PROVIDED.  
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